

"Haunani" (*Beautiful Hau*) Christened

The Haunani Hui gathered for the launching and christening of Bob Reisses' Hawaiian Surfing Canoe on July 29th. The canoe, 20 feet long, was overhauled by Johnny Hollinger, Duke Hong and Jim Alama. It is Hawaiian polished, varnished hardwood hull with white manues and gunnels.



Jack Mackenzie, "Pat" Barker, Johnnie Hollinger, Margie Hoffmeister and Duke Hong, lift a foaming one to the luck of "Haunani"—and it's not coconut milk.

The Hui requested smiling, good-natured Eva De Coto who greets all members and guests in the Club office to christen the canoe. Eva broke a coconut on its bow and as the luscious milk spread over the hull wished it Good Luck and God-speed. The nut was then shelled and all Hui members and guests were given a piece for good luck.

Johnny Hollinger, "Old Sea Biscuit" and Miss Margie Hoffmeister, a visiting co-ed from California, gave the canoe its christening ride out to Blow Hole and upon its return it was predicted "a fine surfing canoe."

Present were Hui members Ernest Lishman, Panama Dave, Ernie Cook, Jim Alama, Johnny Makua, John D. Kaulpiko, Dad Center, Laughing John, Curley Cornwall, Charlie Lambert, Fred Mosher and many guests.

Needless to say the party started after the launching and many toasts were drunk in the Hawaiian manner, as the accompanying picture attests.